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In re application of:

Robert S. Matson et al.

Serial No: 09/872,052

Filed: May 31, 2001

 For: IMMOBILIZATION OF UNMODIFIED BIOPOLYMERS
TO ACYL FLUORIDE ACTIVATED SUBSTRATES

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Dear Sir:

In the Office Action dated February 23, 2005, claims 55-71 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Barany et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,852,487) in view of Matson (U.S. Patent No. 6,037,124). The present application and Matson (U.S. Patent No. 6,037,124) were, at the time the invention of the present application was made, either owned by, or subject to an obligation of assignment to Beckman Coulter, Inc.

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